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MEMORANDUM FOR: CPP

SUBJECT : PSB Staff Meeting, Wednesday, 25 March 1953

1. The CIA Covert Annex to the Stalin Plan, item 3 on the agenda for 26 March, is expected to be noted by the Board and referred to the inter-agency panel for detailed comment. This procedure was suggested by Mr. Godel of Defense and was generally concurred in by everyone at the staff meeting.

2. Mr. Walter Schwim, representing the State Department, said that there was a feeling at State that if paragraph 3 of Part II of the Plan ("Overt Information Operations") is approved by the Board as part of the basic paper, it will unduly restrict State in its overt operations. He therefore suggested that the vote-slip approval to be forwarded by the members of the Board contain the request that this section be merely noted and that it be separated from the plan for treatment by the panel, similar to that to be afforded the CIA Annex.

3. There was general feeling that the third paragraph of the Rockefeller Committee suggestion would be found unsatisfactory by the operating agencies. A copy of this paper was given to PP/CAD for your information yesterday.

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